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1. Location and Staff of the Naval Command - Headquarters of the Naval Command is in the former banovina administration building in Split. The staff is made up as follows:

Commandant : Vice Admiral Josip Cerni  
Executive Officer : Vice Admiral Srećko Manola  
Executive Officer : Rear Admiral Boza Lončarević  
Political Commissar : Colonel Drago Ivanović, Engineer  
Deputy Political Commissar : Captain Stojanović (fnu)

2. Naval Command Bases - The division of the Adriatic coast into three sections, Northern, Central, and Southern Adriatic, no longer is in force. It has been replaced by Naval Command Bases located in Fiume, Sibenik, Split, Dubrovnik and Boka Kotorska. The existence of a base on Vis Island has not yet been confirmed.

3. Naval Arsenals - Pola, Fiume and Tivat.
4. Naval Shipyards - Pola, Fiume, Split and Tivat.
5. Naval Vessels

- a. Five layers:

- M-1 - (formerly Meljine), speed of nine knots, armed with one 76 mm cannon and two machine guns.  
 M-2 - (formerly Aljet), speed nine knots, armed with one 76 mm cannon and two machine guns.  
 M-3 - (formerly Marjan), speed nine knots, armed with one 57 mm cannon, one 76 mm cannon and two machine guns.

- b. The corvette Partizanka (formerly Nado). Carries a crew of 70 men (5 officers), attains 20 knots speed, and is armed with one 100 mm cannon and 12 anti-aircraft machine guns.

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- c. PT boats: Two prewar Yugoslav motor torpedo boats, the Kajmakalan and the Dinara, are now called TC-1 and TC-2. Their base is at Sibenik. There are also several former German PT boats and two of the Italian MAS type. New American-type PT boats with Italian Fiat-Ansaldo engines are being built in the shipyard (sic). These engines are very difficult to obtain. Plans call for the construction of the greatest possible number of PT boats, as they are the most suitable craft for use along the Dalmatian coast with its multitude of small islands.
- d. The Biokovo, formerly the yacht Beli Orao, has a speed of fifteen knots and is armed with six machine guns. It has a crew of about 50.
- e. The Orijent, formerly the yacht and training ship Vila. It is now obsolete with a speed of 8 knots, crew of about 30 sailors and carries two machine guns. Midshipmen of the Naval Academy use this ship for training cruises. Its permanent base is at Boka Kotorska.
- f. The Pionir, formerly the mine layer Orao. It is obsolete but still in service, and was laid up at the Tivat shipyard for general overhaul. Armed with an anti-aircraft gun of about 40 mm and two anti-aircraft machine guns, it has a speed of 12 knots and a crew of 50. It carries old mine-laying equipment. Permanent base: Tivat.
- g. The torpedo boats T-1 and T-5 are prewar Yugoslav craft inherited from the Austro-Hungarian monarchy. Built in 1914, they have a speed of 18 knots and carry a crew of about 50. They are armed with two 57 mm anti-aircraft cannon, one 20 mm anti-aircraft machine gun and four 42 mm double torpedo tubes. They were overhauled in the Tivat shipyard and are based at Sibenik.
- h. Miscellaneous smaller craft:  
 About 40 motor sailboats which were requisitioned from private owners. They are armed with machine guns and are used for patrol service in the Adriatic.  
 About 25 tugs of various types. Armed with two machine guns each.  
 An undetermined number of landing craft of British and German type and make. These were acquired during the war or had been left behind by the Allies and Germans.

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